

19. (New) The process according to Claim 16, wherein the crystalline ingredient capable of conferring a rough texture on the sweet has a mean particle size of greater than 200 microns and a melting point of greater than 110°C.

20. (New) The process according to Claim 19, wherein the crystalline ingredient capable of conferring a rough texture on the sweet has a mean particle size of greater than 400 microns.

21. (New) The process according to Claim 16, wherein said ingredient is a crystalline polyol.

22. (New) A method for the treatment of halitosis using a sweet according to Claim 11.

23. (New) A method for the treatment of halitosis using a sweet prepared by the process of claim 16.

REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 1 to 10 have been withdrawn from examination without prejudice and have been replaced with new claims 11-23. Claims 11 to 23 are pending.

The expression "characterized in that" has been replaced by "wherein" or other words throughout the whole claims.

The expression "chosen from the group consisting of" are replaced by "selected from the group consisting of" throughout the whole claims.

New claims 11 to 13 correspond respectively to claims 1 to 3 as filed.

New claim 14 recites the preferred particle size for the crystalline ingredient of claim 13.

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New claims 15 to 19 correspond respectively to claims 4 to 8 as filed.

New claim 20 recites the preferred particle size for the crystalline ingredient of claim 19.

New claim 21 corresponds to claim 9 as filed.

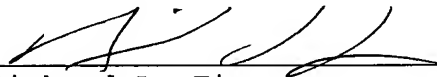
New claims 22 and 23 correspond to claim 10 as filed and are redrafted as method claims.

Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of these claims are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted.

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Encl.: substitute specification.

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the specification:

on page 1, after the title:

--TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION--

on page 1, after the first paragraph:

--BACKGROUND OF THE ART--

on page 2, between lines 15 and 16:

--DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--

In the Abstract:

Please substitute the pending Abstract with the following Abstract:

--The invention relates to a sweet of boiled sugar type exhibiting a rough texture intended for the treatment of halitosis as well as process for making the same and a method for treating halitosis using the same.--